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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JAMES H. WANG, ET AL.

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For: WATER-RESPONSIVE BIODEGRADABLE  
POLYMER COMPOSITION AND METHOD  
OF MAKING SAME

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Examiner: Jeffrey Mullis

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RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2002, applicants respectfully  
request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks.

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please rewrite Claims 2, 14, 32 and 33 as follows:

a1 SM 2. (Amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein said biodegradable  
polymer is selected from poly(hydroxy alkanoates), poly(alkylene succinates), polycaprolactones  
or combinations thereof that are hydrolytically degradable.

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